

# **Family Violence Prevention & Services Program**

**Domestic Violence:** *Any abusive, violent, coercive, forceful, or threatening act or word inflicted by one member of a family or household on another can constitute domestic violence.* Domestic violence and emotional abuse are behaviors used by one person in a relationship to control the other. Partners may be married, separated, divorced, dating, or living together.

Violence can be criminal and include physical assault (hitting, pushing, shoving, etc.), sexual assault (unwanted or forced sexual activity), and stalking. Although emotional, psychological, and financial abuses are not criminal behaviors, they are forms of abuse and can lead to criminal violence.

Types of Abuse:

- Denial of Basic Needs
- Physical abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Phone Harassment/Texting
- Verbal or nonverbal abuse (psychological abuse, mental abuse, emotional abuse)

Examples:

- Actual or threatened physical harm
- Intimidation
- Name-calling or putdowns
- Preventing a partner from contacting family or friends
- Sexual assault
- Stalking
- Stopping a partner from getting or keeping a job
- Isolation

**Kickapoo Social Services Client Eligibility is for any victim or child(ren) involved in a domestic violence, sexual assault, or a stalking situation. Must be an enrolled member of a Federally recognized Tribe who resides within the Kickapoo Social Services Area.**

## **KICKAPOO SOCIAL SERVICES PROVIDES THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:**

- Advocacy and case management
- Community resource referrals
- Development of safety plans
- Legal and court advocacy
- Protection orders
- Shelter referral and placement
- Transportation

### **The Family Violence Program Has Limited Financial Services:**

- Emergency Hygiene Products
- Food
- Limited Relocation costs
- Limited Funds to Purchase Clothing
- Gas

Kickapoo Social Services in cooperation with other Tribal programs participates in several prevention and awareness activities for the community.

### **\*CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY\***

**Kickapoo Social Services maintains a strict policy on the confidentiality of client records. All information shared, or which we become aware of through our work with clients, will remain confidential. Your information will not be shared with anyone outside our agency, unless you have signed a release of information to a specific provider/agency.**